

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: January 21-22, 2004

Reference No.: 2.1c.(5)

Action Item

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Ref: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM APPLICATION AMENDMENT  
APPROVALS, RESOLUTION TAA-04-02, AMENDING RESOLUTIONS TA-01-07,  
TA-01-09 and TAA-03-02**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Attached is Resolution TAA-04-02 for three Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Program application amendments, including one amendment to deprogram (\$2,078,000) in TCR funding in accordance with Traffic Congestion Relief Policy for Managing Cash Between TCR Projects established under Resolution G-03-14. A fact sheet describing each project is attached.

Pending resolution of future funding for TCR projects, the California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) defer approval of Resolution TAA-04-02 at this time and add these projects to the list of application amendments submitted by applicant agencies that are pending further action by the Commission.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The adopted Fiscal Year (FY) 2003-04 budget provided \$189,000,000 in new revenue to be added with existing funds for projects identified in the TCR Program. As reported at the special meeting of the Commission on November 24, 2003, the cash-flow forecast based on the October 2003 TCR Progress Report indicates that implementing agency expenditures would leave a balance of \$74,000,000 at the end of FY 2003-04. Due to the uncertainty of TCR funding for FY 2004-05, the Department recommended that the Commission refrain from making new allocations of TCR funds. The Department further recommended that the Commission consider application amendments that adjust funding, capture and reprogram phase savings, or take advantage of Resolution G-03-14, the TCR policy for Managing Cash between TCR Projects.

On November 24, 2003, Governor Schwarzenegger identified a number of current year budget reductions to be considered by the California legislature. On December 2, 2003, the Mid Year Spending Reduction Proposals for FY 2003-04 was released. The Proposals include the transfer of \$189,000,000 from the TCR Fund to the General Fund, the elimination of TCR

project definitions from statutes, and the rescission of all allocations and approvals for AB 1335 TCRP Letter of No Prejudice.

Subsequently, the three TCR project application amendments presented here were originally withdrawn prior to action at the December 2003 Commission meeting.

To date, the Legislature has not taken action to approve this proposal. However, the deficit in the State's General Fund continues to impact the TCR Program. The Governor will release his proposed budget for FY 2004-05 in early January 2004. The budget proposal will address funding of TCR projects for FY 2004-05 and provide additional information to assess future funding for the TCR Program.

Attachments

# TCR Program – Application Amendment Project #94

January 21-22, 2004  
Reference No. 2.1c.(5)

**Fresno**      **Route 43; widen to four-lane expressway from Kings County line to Route 99 in Selma in Fresno County.**

(\$ X 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	\$75,000	<i>TCRP Funds Covered by Application:</i>	<b>(\$2,078)</b>
<i>Total TCRP Funds Available:</i>	\$5,000	<i>Phase(s) Covered by Application:</i>	1
		<i>TCRP Funds Previously Approved for #94</i>	\$2,600
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	California Department of Transportation (Department)	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	Same

**TCRP Allocation Requested Concurrently with Application: (\$2,078)**

*for Phase(s):* 1

**Advance Requested: \$0**

*for Phase(s):* N/A

**TCRP Allocations to Date: \$2,600**

*for Phase(s):* 1

**Project Summary:** The overall project is to convert approximately 15 miles of existing two-lane conventional highway to a four-lane divided highway on Route 43 from Selma to the Kings County line. Currently, the Route 43 segment between Selma and Hanford is experiencing safety problems inherent to a two-lane highway being shared by an increasing mix of local commuters, trucks and farm equipment. Route 43 serves as the primary and most direct north-south link between the Hanford and Fresno metropolitan areas.



**Amendment Summary:** This amendment seeks approval to formally suspend work on this project and deprogram \$2,078,000 of TCR funds. This amendment also extends the schedule of Phase 1 (ENV) from October 2003 to October 2005. Changes proposed by this amendment are reflected in ~~strikethrough~~ and **bold**.

**Reason for Change:** The project activities to date consisted of preliminary environmental studies to widen State Route 43 from two to four lanes. The Department, with concurrence from the Council of Fresno County Governments (Fresno COG) suspended work on the project in January 2003 as a result of the Governor's Budget Proposal to suspend the TCRP beginning in FY 2003-04. During this suspension, the Department and the Fresno COG determined that the present project budget shortfalls and limited STIP programming capacity would prevent the project from progressing beyond environmental clearance for the foreseeable future. Continuing to proceed with environmental clearance is not considered a priority until a plan to capitalize the project becomes better defined.

Of the original \$2,600,000 allocated to the project, \$2,078,000 remains unspent. The Department and the Fresno COG propose to transfer this unspent allocation capacity to a higher priority project in the region (TCRP #97.2). This action is consistent with the TCRP Cash Management Policy, Resolution G-03-14, adopted by the Commission at their September 2003 meeting.

## Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)

Phase	Scope	Start	End	Cost
1	Environmental and PE studies, project report, final environmental document	4/01	<b>10/05</b> <del>10/03</del>	\$2,600
2	Final engineering and PS&E package	10/05	7/07	\$3,400
3	Right of way acquisition	10/05	7/07	\$20,000
4	Construction	10/07	12/11	\$49,000
<b>Total:</b>				\$75,000

**Funding Plan** (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP	State	Committed	<b>\$522</b>				<b>\$522</b>
			<del>\$2,600</del>				<del>\$2,600</del>
		Proposed	<b>\$2,078</b>	\$2,400			<b>\$4,478</b>
							<del>\$2,400</del>
STIP	State	Committed					
		Proposed		\$1,000	\$20,000	\$49,000	\$70,000
	<b>Totals:</b>	Committed	<b>\$522</b>				<b>\$522</b>
			<del>\$2,600</del>				<del>\$2,600</del>
		Proposed	<b>\$2,078</b>	\$3,400	\$20,000	\$49,000	<b>\$74,478</b>
			<del>\$0</del>				<del>\$72,400</del>
		<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$2,600</b>	<b>\$3,400</b>	<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>\$49,000</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>

**Prior TCRP Action:**

- Original application was approved on May 2, 2001 (TA-01-07) for \$2,600,000 for Phase 1.

**Status of Conditions:** No conditions set.

**Discussion/Issues:** Funding in the amount of \$70,000,000 remains to be identified. Anticipated sources include, but are not limited to, STIP funding.

Originally presented at the December 2003 Commission meeting and withdrawn prior to action.

The Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission defer action on this request and add this project to the list of application amendments that are pending further action by the Commission.

# TCR Program – Application Amendment Project #97.1

January 21-22, 2004  
Reference No. 2.1c.(5)

**Fresno**      **Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County.**

(\$ X 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	<b>\$2,510</b>	<i>TCRP Funds Covered by Application:</i>	<b>(\$250)</b>
	<del>\$3,046</del>		
<i>TCRP Funds – Sub-Project:</i>	<b>\$1,600</b>	<i>Phase(s) Covered by Application:</i>	All
	<del>\$1,850</del>		
<i>TCRP Funds for Project #97:</i>	\$10,000	<i>TCRP Funds Previously Approved for #97.1</i>	\$1,850
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	California State University, Fresno	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	City of Clovis

*TCRP Allocation Requested Concurrently with Application:*      **\$0**

*Advanced Requested:*      **\$0**

*TCRP Allocations to Date:*      **\$1,385**

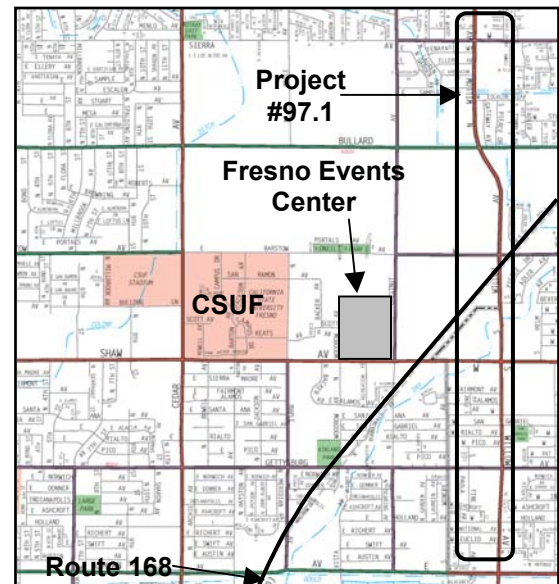
*for Phase(s):*      N/A

*for Phase(s):*      N/A

*for Phase(s):*      All

**Project Summary:** The overall project is legislatively divided into two parts: (1) Operational improvements to various streets and roads near the CSU Fresno campus and, (2) funds for plans, drawings, and project management costs associated with the CSU Fresno Events Center. The project has been segmented into three sub-projects for implementation.

- Sub-Project #97 – Traffic study to assess traffic congestion relief and funds for plans, drawings, and project management costs associated with the Fresno Events Center (Total Project = \$2,100,000, 100% TCRP)
- **Sub-Project #97.1** – Operational improvements in the City of Clovis (Total Project = ~~\$2,510,000~~ ~~\$3,046,000~~, including **\$1,600,000** ~~\$1,850,000~~ TCRP, ~~\$286,000~~ TCRP from #97.2, and \$910,000 from other sources)
- Sub-Project #97.2 – Operational improvements in the City of Fresno (Total Project = ~~\$6,300,000~~ ~~\$6,050,000~~, 100% TCRP)



This sub-project will improve traffic circulation and operations in the vicinity of California State University, Fresno, in anticipation of the opening of the Fresno Events Center. Operational improvements consists of intersection signalization, constructing turn pockets, and roadway widening at Willow Avenue/Ashlan Avenue intersection; Willow Avenue/Shaw Avenue intersection; Willow Avenue/Herndon Avenue intersection; and Willow Avenue/Barstow Avenue intersection **and coordination between the Cities of Clovis and Fresno for improvements at Willow/Bullard intersection.**

Note: The overall project will be segmented and, therefore, project phases may overlap.

**Amendment Summary:** This amendment shifts the scope of work for Bullard Avenue/Willow Avenue Intersection from the City of Clovis to the City of Fresno. With the shift of scope of work, the amendment transfers \$250,000 of previously approved TCR funds from the City of Clovis (Project #97.1) to the City of Fresno (Project #97.2) for implementing the improvements. In the original application, improvements to be constructed by the City of Clovis included the Willow/Bullard intersection. The funding for the City of Clovis' improvements included receiving \$286,000 of TCR funds through the City of Fresno. By shifting the scope of work, Willow/Bullard will be funded from the \$286,000 (which will remain with Fresno) along with \$250,000 of TCR funds proposed to be shifted by this amendment. In addition, this amendment updates the overall project funding plan and schedule. Changes proposed by this amendment are reflected in ~~strike through~~ and **bold**.

**Reason for Change:** In reviewing the Willow Avenue/Bullard Avenue Intersection, a majority of the improvements are within the jurisdiction of the City of Fresno. Project schedule has been adjusted due to the suspension of allocating new TCR funds. The updated schedule is based on the assumption that the remaining construction funding will be available in Fiscal Year 2004/05.

**Cost and Schedule** (\$ x 1,000)

Phase	Scope	Start	End	Cost
1	Environmental Studies & Document	4/02	6/04 10/02	\$5 \$10
2	Plans, Specifications & Estimates	7/01	6/04 6/02	\$210 \$233
3	Right of Way Acquisition	7/01	6/04 6/02	\$225 \$295
4	Construction	7/01	6/05 4/03	\$2,070 \$2,508
<b>Total:</b>				<b>\$2,510</b> <b>\$3,046</b>

**Funding Plan** (\$ x 1,000)

Source	Type		Phase 1	Phase 2	Phase 3	Phase 4	Total
TCRP (#97.1)	State	Committed	\$5	\$49	\$18	\$1,528	\$1,600
		Proposed	\$10		\$52	\$1,739	\$1,850
TCRP (#97.2)	State	Committed		\$23	\$36	\$227	\$286
		Proposed					
TEA-21	Federal	Committed		\$31	\$7	\$341	\$379
		Proposed					
City of Fresno	Local	Committed				\$32	\$32
		Proposed					
City of Clovis	Local	Committed				\$35	\$35
		Proposed					
Minor A	State	Committed		\$130	\$200	\$134	\$464
		Proposed					
	Totals:	Committed	\$5	\$210	\$225	\$2,070	\$2,510
		Proposed	\$10	\$233	\$295	\$2,508	\$3,046
		Totals:	\$5	\$210	\$225	\$2,070	\$2,510
			\$10	\$233	\$295	\$2,508	\$3,046

**Prior TCRP Action:**

- Original application was approved on June 6, 2001 for \$1,850,000 (TA-01-09) for Phases 2, 3, and 4.
- Minor amendment was approved July 3, 2002 based on the April 2002 Progress Report. This amendment shifted \$10,000 of TCR funds from Phase 2 to Phase 1. It was originally believed that the EIR for the Events Center would provide sufficient documentation for the roadway improvements. Upon review of the final EIR, the document did not adequately address the roadway improvements.

**Status of Conditions:** No conditions set.

**Discussion/Issues:** This project is fully funded. The City of Clovis has completed the improvement projects for the Shaw/ Willow and Ashlan/Willow Intersections. Improvements at the Willow/Herndon and Willow/Barstow Intersections will be completed when construction funds become available.

Originally presented at the December 2003 Commission meeting and withdrawn prior to action.

The Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission defer action on this request and add this project to the list of application amendments that are pending further action by the Commission.

## TCR Program – Application Amendment Project #97.2

January 21-22, 2004  
Reference No. 2.1c.(5)

**Fresno**      **Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County.**

(\$ X 1,000)

<i>Estimated Project Cost:</i>	<b>\$6,300</b> <del>\$6,050</del>	<i>TCRP Funds Covered by Application:</i>	<b>\$250</b>
<i>TCRP Funds – Sub-Project:</i>	<b>\$6,300</b> <del>\$6,050</del>	<i>Phase(s) Covered by Application:</i>	All
<i>TCRP Funds for Project #97:</i>	\$10,000	<i>TCRP Funds Previously Approved for #97.2</i>	\$6,050
<i>Lead Agency:</i>	California State University, Fresno	<i>Implementing Agency:</i>	City of Fresno

*TCRP Allocation Requested Concurrently with Application:*      **\$550**

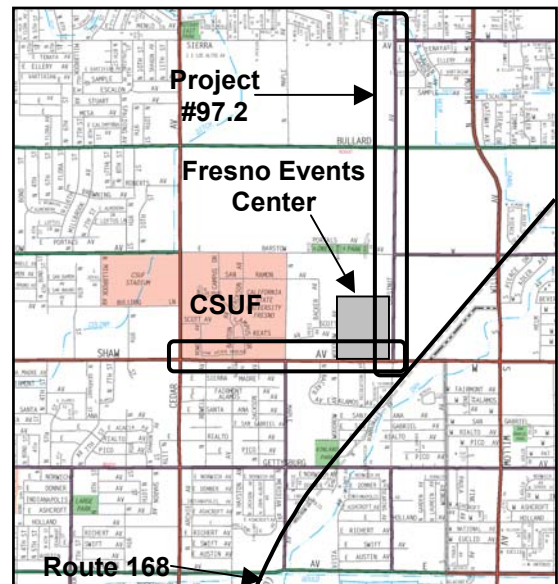
*Advanced Requested:*      **\$0**

*TCRP Allocations to Date:*      **\$518**

*for Phase(s):*      3  
*for Phase(s):*      N/A  
*for Phase(s):*      1,2

**Project Summary:** The overall project is legislatively divided into two parts: (1) Operational improvements to various streets and roads near the CSU Fresno campus and, (2) funds for plans, drawings, and project management costs associated with the CSU Fresno Events Center. The project has been segmented into three sub-projects for implementation.

- Sub-Project #97 – Traffic study to assess traffic congestion relief and funds for plans, drawings, and project management costs associated with the Events Center (Total Project = \$2,100,000, 100% TCRP)
- Sub-Project #97.1 – Operational improvements in the City of Clovis (Total Project = ~~\$2,510,000~~ **\$3,046,000**, including ~~\$1,600,000~~ **\$1,850,000** TCRP, ~~\$286,000~~ TCRP from #97.2, and \$910,000 from other sources)
- **Sub-Project #97.2** – Operational improvements in the City of Fresno (Total Project = ~~\$6,300,000~~ **\$6,050,000**, 100% TCRP)



This sub-project will improve traffic circulation and operations in the vicinity of California State University, Fresno, in anticipation of the opening of the Fresno Events Center. Operational improvements consist of widening Chestnut Avenue between Shaw Avenue and Bullard Avenue; Chestnut Avenue/Barstow Avenue intersection improvement to provide for additional turn lanes and traffic signals; Chestnut Avenue/Shaw Avenue intersection improvements for an additional northbound turn lane; Shaw Avenue widening for a westbound auxiliary lane between Chestnut Avenue and Woodrow Avenue; Shaw Avenue/Woodrow Avenue intersection improvements to add a northbound turn lane; Herndon Avenue/Chestnut Avenue intersection improvements to add a eastbound acceleration lane, an additional southbound through lane and a northbound left turn lane; and **Willow Avenue/Bullard Avenue intersection improvements to provide additional turn lanes.**

Note: The overall project will be segmented and, therefore, project phases may overlap.

**Amendment Summary:** This amendment shifts the scope of work for Bullard Avenue/Willow Avenue Intersection from the City of Clovis to the City of Fresno. With the shift of scope of work, the amendment transfers \$250,000 of TCRP funds from the City of Clovis (Project #97.1) to the City of Fresno (Project # 97.2) for implementing the improvements. This amendment further proposes to accelerate the start dates for Phase 3 – Right of way and Phase 4 – Construction. **The acceleration is contingent upon an allocation of TCR funds.** In addition, this amendment extends the completion of Phase 1 for Chestnut Avenue from December 2003 to June 2004. Changes proposed by this amendment are reflected in ~~strikethrough~~ and **bold**.

**Reason for Amendment:** In reviewing the Willow Avenue/Bullard Avenue Intersection, a majority of the improvements are within the jurisdiction of the City of Fresno. In an amendment approved at the June 2003 California Transportation Commission meeting, the start date for Phase 3 was delayed to July 2004 and the start date for Phase 4 was delayed to May 2005 due to the lack of available TCR funds to make an allocation for right-of-way and construction. The proposed redirection of previously allocated funds from TCRP Project #94, widening of State Route 43, will allow the right of way and a portion of the construction phase to proceed with a staged allocation. This action is consistent with the TCRP Cash Management Policy, resolution G-03-14, adopted by the CTC at their September 2003 meeting.

Additional time is required to complete the Chestnut Avenue Focused EIR. The City suspended the project in December 2002 halting the environmental process. Upon resuming, new conditions now exist from the Events Center opening. Traffic counts are being redone and the technical studies are being updated. Circulation of the draft Focused EIR in January 2004 will allow the final EIR to be presented to the CTC in June 2004 for approval for future consideration of funding.

**Cost and Schedule (\$ x 1,000)**

<b>Phase</b>	<b>Scope</b>	<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Cost</b>
1	Environmental Studies & Document	12/01	<del>6/04</del> 12/03	\$95
2	Plans, Specifications & Estimates	8/01	<del>11/04</del> 5/04	\$423
3	Right of Way Acquisition	<del>1/04</del> 7/04	<del>11/04</del> 4/05	\$914
4	Construction	<del>6/04</del> 5/05	10/05	<del>\$4,868</del> \$4,618
<b>Total:</b>				<del>\$6,300</del> \$6,050

**Funding Plan (\$ x 1,000)**

<b>Source</b>	<b>Type</b>		<b>Phase 1</b>	<b>Phase 2</b>	<b>Phase 3</b>	<b>Phase 4</b>	<b>Total</b>
TCRP	State	Committed	\$95	\$423	\$914	<del>\$4,868</del> \$4,618	<del>\$6,300</del> \$6,050
		Proposed					
	<b>Totals:</b>	Committed	\$95	\$423	\$914	<del>\$4,868</del> \$4,618	<del>\$6,300</del> \$6,050
		Proposed					
		<b>Totals:</b>	\$95	\$423	\$914	<del>\$4,868</del> \$4,618	<del>\$6,300</del> \$6,050

**Prior TCRP Action:**

- Original application was approved on June 6, 2001 for \$6,050,000 (TA-01-09) for Phases 2, 3, and 4
- A minor amendment was approved January 16, 2002 based on the October 2001 Progress Report. This amendment shifted \$15,000 of TCR funds from Phase 2 to Phase 1 and updated the project schedule without extending the project completion.
- A major amendment was approved July 18, 2002 (TAA-02-07). This amendment transferred \$50,000 from Phase 4 to Phase 1. The amendment also updated the project schedule without extending the completion of the project. It was determined that a Focused Environmental Impact Report was needed for Chestnut Avenue widening.
- A major amendment was approved June 26, 2003 (TAA-03-02). This amendment transferred \$30,000 of allocated TCRP funds from Phase 2 to Phase 1 and transferred \$300,000 of unallocated TCRP funds from Phase 4 to Phase 3. This amendment also updated the project schedule including extending the completion of the project from October 2003 to October 2005. Additional funds were required to perform further studies to complete the Focused EIR for Chestnut Avenue widening. The \$300,000 shift of TCR funds from Phase 4 to Phase 3 is for work to clear right-of-way prior to certification. The schedule is updated due to the additional studies for the Focused EIR and to the lack of available TCR funds for right-of-way and construction.



**Status of Conditions:** The following condition was set forth under Resolution TAA-03-02 and remains in effect:  
The allocation of capital funds for Chestnut Avenue between Shaw and Bullard Avenue is contingent upon CTC review of the final environmental document and approval of the project for future consideration of funding.

**Discussion/Issues:** Project is fully funded. Regional Transportation documentation is on file. Intersection improvements at Herndon/Chestnut, Shaw/Woodrow, and Chestnut/Shaw along with the Shaw Avenue widening have received environmental clearance under a Mitigated Negative Declaration. Consideration of funding by the CTC for this Mitigated Negative Declaration occurred January 23, 2003 under Resolution E-03-04. The remaining improvements (Chestnut Avenue widening, Chestnut/Barstow intersection, and Willow/Bullard intersection) have not received environmental clearance.

The Fresno Events Center opened November 1, 2003. The University, Department, City of Clovis, City of Fresno, and Fresno County are planning interim traffic management measures. Construction improvements must be scheduled during the summer months to avoid student traffic. The current controlling item to begin construction in the summer of 2004 is acquisition of right of way for locations with existing environmental clearance (Herndon/Chestnut, Shaw/Woodrow, Chestnut/Shaw, and Shaw Avenue widening).

The stage allocation plan is as follows:

- Using \$1,982,000 of redirected allocation capacity from TCRP Project #94:
  - \$550,000 for Phase 3 (January 2004, concurrent with application)– right of way for the intersection improvements at Herndon/Chestnut, Shaw/Woodrow, Chestnut/Shaw, and Shaw Avenue widening.
  - \$1,068,000 for Phase 4 (June 2004)– construction improvement for the intersection improvements at Shaw/Woodrow, Chestnut/Shaw, Willow/Bullard, and Shaw Avenue widening (Allocation request will occur upon right of way certification).
  - \$364,000 for Phase 3 (June 2004)– right of way for the Chestnut Avenue widening, Chestnut/Barstow intersection and Willow/Bullard intersection. (Allocation request will be concurrent with approval of the final environmental report)
- The project requires a future allocation of:
  - \$3,800,000 for Phase 4 (June 2005)– construction improvements for the Chestnut Avenue widening, Chestnut/Barstow intersection, and Herndon/Chestnut intersection.

Originally presented at the December 2003 Commission meeting and withdrawn prior to action.

The Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission defer action on this request and add this project to the list of application amendments that are pending further action by the Commission.

**CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**  
**Approval of Traffic Congestion Relief Program**  
**Project Application Amendment**

**RESOLUTION TAA-04-02,**  
**Amending Resolutions TA-01-07, TA-01-09 and TAA-03-02**

- 1.1 WHEREAS the Traffic Congestion Relief Act of 2000 (herein after referred to as “statute”), which was established by Chapters 91 (AB 2928) and 656 (SB 1662) of the Statutes of 2000, establishes the Traffic Congestion Relief Program, providing \$5.39 billion for projects throughout the State of California to reduce traffic congestion, provide for safe and efficient movement of goods, and provide system connectivity; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS in accordance with Government Code Section 14556.11 the California Transportation Commission (Commission) has adopted guidelines, in consultation with the Department of Transportation (Department) and regional agencies, to implement the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP); and
- 1.3 WHEREAS the statute and guidelines require applicants to specify full and complete project applications, including scope, cost and schedule, financial plans and funding sources; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS the Department, with concurrence from the Council of Fresno County of Governments (Fresno COG), has submitted an amended application for TCRP Project #94 – Route 43; widen to four-lane expressway from Kings County line to Route 99 in Selma in Fresno County, originally approved under Resolution TA-01-07, to suspend the project and deprogram (\$2,078,000) of previously approved \$2,600,000 in TCR funding from Phase 1 – Environmental and Permits (ENV); and
- 1.5 WHEREAS the California State University, Fresno, has submitted an amended application for TCRP Sub-project #97.1 – Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County – Operational improvements in City of Clovis, revising project scope, schedule, and funding plan previously approved under Resolution TA-01-09, to transfer partial project scope and deprogram (\$250,000) in TCR funding to TCRP Sub-project #97.2; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS the California State University, Fresno, has submitted an amended application for TCRP Sub-project #97.2 – Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County – Operational improvements in City of Fresno, revising project scope, schedule, and funding plan previously approved under Resolution TA-01-09, as amended by Resolution TAA-03-02, to incorporate transfer of partial scope and \$250,000 in TCR funding from TCRP Sub-project #97.1; and
- 1.7 WHEREAS in accordance with the Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) Program Policy for Managing Cash Between TCR Projects, Resolution G-03-14, the Department and Fresno COG propose to transfer the unspent allocation capacity for TCRP Project #94 to the higher priority TCRP Sub-project #97.2 to allow this project to proceed to Phase 4 – Construction during the Summer 2004 construction season; and

- 1.8 WHEREAS the Commission, in accordance with Administration's Proposals for current year budget reductions, reserves the right to defer approval of any additional TCR project applications and allocations due to the continuing economic challenges faced by the State.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby defer approval at this time for the following three Traffic Congestion Relief Program application amendments as submitted, with subsequent clarifications and revisions:
- Project #94 – Route 43; widen to four-lane expressway from Kings County line to Route 99 in Selma in Fresno County. Suspend project and deprogram (\$2,078,000) of TCR funds from original application approval of \$2,600,000 for Phase 1 Environmental and Permits to be distributed to other projects.  
Applicant Agency: California Department of Transportation (Department)  
Implementing Agency: Department
  - Project #97.1 – Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County – Operational improvements in City of Clovis. Amend application to revise project scope, update schedule and funding plan, and transfer partial project scope and (\$250,000) in programmed funding to TCRP Sub-project – #97.2.  
Applicant Agency: California State University, Fresno  
Implementing Agency: City of Clovis
  - Project #97.2 – Operational improvements on Shaw Avenue, Chestnut Avenue, Willow Avenue, and Barstow Avenue near California State University at Fresno in Fresno County – Operational improvements in City of Fresno. Amend application to revise project scope, update schedule and funding plan, and receive transfer of partial project scope and \$250,000 in programmed funding from TCRP Sub-project – #97.1.  
Applicant Agency: California State University, Fresno  
Implementing Agency: City of Fresno;
- and
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the condition stipulated in Resolution TAA-03-02 for TCRP Sub-project #97.2 – Operational improvements in City of Fresno, remains in effect; and
- 2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these requests be added to the list of application amendments submitted by applicant agencies that have been deferred and are pending further action by the Commission, and
- 2.4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all applicant agencies shall provide the Commission and the Department with a progress report on April 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year on actual expenditures and status of work, until the projects have been completed; and
- 2.5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this TCRP project application approval by the Commission reserves the State funding for the projects as specified by the statute, and allows the applicant agencies to incur costs in accordance with the approved project application, statute and guidelines.